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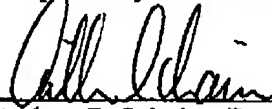
Claims 1-18 are currently pending in this application. Claims 1-3 and 5-7 have been amended and new claims 9-18 have been added. New claims 9 and 10 contain subject matter previously contained in claims 1 and 5 respectively, but which Applicants respectfully submit is not needed for patentability. New claims 11-16 have been added to provide additional coverage to which Applicants believe they are entitled. New independent claim 17 is similar in scope to new independent claim 15, although directed to a system of producing and packing parts. No new matter is believed to have been added by virtue of this Amendment.

Applicants appreciate the indication by the Examiner that claims 1-8 contain allowable subject matter. Applicants have amended claims 1-3 and 5-7 to correct the deficiencies noted by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph and to more clearly define the invention. All of the claims of the invention are believed to be allowable over the prior art.

Applicants believe that the foregoing is a full and complete response to the Office Action of record. Accordingly, an early and favorable reconsideration of all of the claims is requested. Applicants believe that claims 1-18 are now in condition for allowance and an indication of allowability and an early Notice of Allowance of all of the claims is respectfully requested.

If Examiner feels that a telephonic interview would be helpful, he is requested to call the undersigned at (203) 575-2629 prior to the issuance of the next office action.

Respectfully submitted,



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